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## MARCH MUSTER CALL

date: Thursday  
14 March 1991

time: 6:15 p.m.  
Mess Call

place: Wyatt's Cafeteria  
Hancock Center

There were 41-derful people sharing Valentines Day together at the February meeting. The program given by Compatriot Dr. David Couch, professor at SWTSU in San Marcos, was well received.

Of course we don't expect to set attendance records each month, but we might remind you that if you enjoy Southern fellowship with a group of folks like you, if you like to go out to eat occasionally, if you enjoy talking and hearing about the South, the Confederacy, and your

ancestors' contribution to the WBTS, and if you take seriously your duty to support your ancestor by taking part in the organization dedicated to his memory, then the monthly SCV meeting is the place for you. In case we have to remind you, your wife and family are always welcome, and you certainly may ask any friends and neighbors to come also.

This month we will hear from our 2nd Lt. Cdr. Allen Matetzschk. He will speak on the Battle of Pleasant Hill. Comp. Matetzschk is a graduate of Manor High School and attends the University of Texas. And he comes to the SCV with a high recommendation. He is the nephew of Sam and Belle Cook. Will we see you there?





**Judge Thomas C. Ferguson**

**IN MEMORIAM**

**REAL SON  
JUDGE THOMAS C. FERGUSON  
1906-1991**

It is with a great deal of sadness that this newsletter reports the passing of the camp's only Real Son, JUDGE THOMAS C. FERGUSON. Compatriot Ferguson was born 3 September 1906 near Roswell, New Mexico, to Marion and Martha Ann (Harvey) Ferguson. His father had served in the WBTS as a Confederate soldier. He crossed over the river to rest in the shade of the trees on 10 February 1991.

Compatriot Ferguson had a varied and distinguished career. He was a newspaper editor and publisher. He studied law and received his license to practice law in January 1929. He entered public service serving as City Attorney for Burnet, Marble Falls, and Johnson City. He served in the Texas House of Representatives. When the LCRA was established, he was one of the first directors. He has been a mayor, served on a school board and State Democratic Exec. Comm. He was a County Judge and State District Judge. He was a Master Sergeant in WWII.

Judge Ferguson had about 65 years of registered service to the Boy Scouts holding the Silver Beaver Award. He was a member of historical and genealogical associations, the Sons of the Republic of Texas, various Masonic bodies, and served as director of various banks.

He was married to Vera Elizabeth Foster for 52 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edythe Ferguson, a stepdaughter, two stepsons, four grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. He was buried on Valentines Day with graveside rites conducted by the Masonic Lodge. His departure is a loss, but we are strengthened by the service and dedication of this Real Son of the South.



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For those who do not already know, the Military Order of the Stars and Bars is an organization for SCV members whose ancestors were officers. As the officer corps of the Confederacy were responsible leaders, so the MOSB feels that their responsibility is to carry on in their ancestors' footsteps by offering their service in a very special way to the SCV and the Confederation.

Compatriot David Couch has taken on the responsibility of rejuvenating the John H. Reagan Chapter, MOSB, connected with our camp. His energy alone is not enough. He is seeking anyone who is qualified to consider joining the MOSB. Dues are \$12 yearly over and above your SCV dues. David is dedicated to an active, meaningful organization to support our camp. Won't you consider joining or re-joining?



WE WIN SOME ---

WE LOSE SOME

As attacks on our heritage increase, the good news is that we do not always lose even though it seems that way.

It seems that at Midland Lee High School in Midland, Texas, attacks were made by (you guessed it) to do away with the Rebel mascot and the flag. Well, the school board voted to ignore the attack and keep the symbols of our heritage. We have heard that there are some upset people. But we say "huzza".

## ENLISTMENTS

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The recruiting sergeant is proud to announce that two other good Southern men and true have enlisted for the 1991 campaign. Unanimously elected into SCV membership at the February meeting were JAMES H. MCPHAIL and STEVEN J. VANDERHOOF.

James McPhail joins the SCV upon the record of his great grandfather William Jefferson Towns who was a Captain in Co. B of Hood's Brigade and who served until 1864. James is a transfer from the Johnston Camp #67 in Houston. He was born on the 5th of October at Trinity, Texas and is enjoying retirement. His address is 4711 Crestway Drive, Austin 78731, #451-4485.

Steven Vanderhoof has been an active part of this camp for so long that it has been hard not to consider him a member already. However, he joined upon the record of his great grandfather William Henry Griffin who was a private soldier in Co. E, 54th Georgia Volunteer Infantry and who served until April 26, 1865 when he was paroled. Steven was born the 20th of April at Phoenix, Arizona. He is a commercial maintenance technician. He has served very faithfully with the Littlefield Battery for a long time. He was installed by Battery Commander David Morris after being the object of some good-natured ribbing. He lives at 13189 Mill Stone Drive, Austin 78729, #335-7275.

We are proud of both these men. Welcome to the Confederation!

## DELINQUENT COMPATRIOTS

By the instructions given by our Constitution and By Laws, those compatriots who have not paid their yearly dues by the end of March are declared delinquent. Their names will be removed from the mailing list pending payment of their dues. The following compatriots have not paid their 1991 dues. If our records conflict with yours, please notify your Adjutant.

Wyndy Faulk  
Chet Garrett  
Rob Jones  
C.E. Jordan  
James Jordan  
Earl Jordan

Rodney Leist  
Jeffrey Morris  
Joe Dale Morris  
Joe O'Connor  
Ron Potts  
Carl Tumey  
Kevin Willhoite  
Robin Willhoite  
Steven Willhoite  
Sam Winters  
Patrick Yarbrough

If your name appears above, won't you respond to this request for your dues? Please forward them immediately to your Adjutant. Remember, the South needs all her sons, now more than ever!

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These Compatriots have contributed \$10 or more toward the publication of this newsletter and the continuation of the Cause.

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